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To Whom It May Concern: (Director of FCC)

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J have recently been made aware of the attempts to abolish the laws that our governmenl possesses preventing the monopolization of news/ information sources. However, I can't help but wonder as to why our nation would benefit from receiving all of its news from one specific source. As of right now there are four separate corporations, which may be too few a number to prevent a bias opinion, but enough as to compare with another source. It is my opinion that a monopoly would lead to control, and control possibly to certain forms of (not only bias,) but negative propaganda, which could ultimately lead to a reform of the media network. Not to use the example of ifs and when's, but the laws/ restrictions that are now standing, many believe, are too few in themselves. If there came to be a single corporation owning every source of news in the United States, where would stand the right of freedom of speech? It might still exist, but under the cloak of what will come to be a single nationwide view throughout the media.

Thank you for your consideration,

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